

Minutes
Commission on Student Affairs
Special Call Meeting
March 26, 1992

Present: Dr. Tom Goodale, Ms. Melissa Byrne, Ms. Mary Cacheris, Mr. Brad Haley, Ms. Joanne Waters, Mr. John Aughenbaugh, Ms. Eleanor Haughey, Ms. Ginger Hiemenz (for Mr. Lee Carroll), Ms. Jessica Williams, Col. Lee Rice, Mr. Kevin Mottley, Mr. Patrick Larkin, Mr. Andrew Wolff, Dr. G. E. Bunce (for Dr. Peter Feret), Dr. Beverly Sgro, Mr. Leo Smith (for Ms. Sharon Yeagle), Dr. Rita Purdy, Dr. Harlan Miller, and Dr. Paul Sorrentino.

Absent: Mr. George Asimopoulos, Mr. Lee Carroll, Ms. Beth Rexroad, Dr. Peter Feret, and Ms. Sharon Yeagle.

Guests: Mr. Bill Champion, Mr. Scot Case, and Dr. Landrum Cross.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Cross who requested a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Larkin, seconded by Mr. Aughenbaugh, approving the agenda as presented. The motion passed.

1. Executive Session. Executive session was called to discuss the interview questions, appoint the two members of the Commission to pose the questions to the candidates, appoint a time keeper, and approve the order of and procedures for the interviews.

Dr. Cross announced that the Commission needed to select new questions due to lack of quality control measures established to safeguard the confidentiality of the questions selected on March 19.

With the assistance of Mr. Larkin and Mr. Aughenbaugh, a pool of questions (4) was provided for consideration by the Commission. The questions recommended are noted below:

- a. What do you think is the most pressing issue facing the University in the coming years?
- b. Keeping in mind your answer to the first question, what are your goals and how do you plan to accomplish them?

Dr. Purdy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Larkin, to adopt the recommended questions. The motion passed with one opposing vote.

During the discussion of the motion, Ms. Hiemenz reminded the Commission that candidates' communication skills should be the primary focus for evaluation.

Following Mr. Mottley's recommendation, in the future, the final selection of the questions for the interview will be a part of the agenda of the meeting at which the candidates are interviewed. Questions will not be disseminated prior to the day of the interviews.

Mr. Aughenbaugh and Ms. Williams were appointed to pose the questions. Mr. Mottley, in his role as parliamentarian, was appointed time keeper.

Interview procedures were reviewed and affirmed. Dr. Cross announced that one candidate withdrew this morning leaving only five candidates. He requested for a motion for approval to select the three finalists from the five remaining candidates. Dr. Miller offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Aughenbaugh. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Interview of the candidates. The candidates were interviewed in alpha order. All candidates were instructed that they would have five minutes to make a presentation and after which they would be asked two separate questions for which they were to give two minute responses. Candidates were advised prior to the meeting that they could have another individual introduce them to the group.

Ms. Xzabier Denise Jackson
Ms. Kimberly Jane McGovern
Ms. Lisa Michelle Monks
Mr. Robert Scott Morgan
Ms. Ianthe "Nicole" Vipperman

3. Executive Session. The Commission returned to executive session after all candidates had been interviewed and voted by secret ballot without discussion for the three finalists. The three candidates selected by the 18 present members of the Commission are listed below:

Xzabier Denise Jackson
Robert Scott Morgan
Ianthe "Nicole" Vipperman

4. Announce results and provide instructions to the three finalists. All candidates were invited to return for the announcement of the three finalists selected for interview with the Board. Dr. Cross commented on the high quality of all of the candidates and thanked them for allowing the Commission to interview them. The three candidates were announced and were asked to meet with Dr. Pendergrass to sign up for an appointment to meet with President McComas. The three finalists will be interviewed by the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Visitors on April 2.

Second Reading of the Facilities Subcommittee's Resolution. Ms. Yeagle conveyed the sentiments of the staff of the Recreation Sports Department regarding the Facilities Subcommittee's recommendation to re-allocate \$1.00 athletic fee to Recreation Sports. She and her staff do not support the concept of taking fees from another department. After a lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of this resolution, two motions were made. The first one, offered by

Mr. Larkin, called for CSA endorsement of the resolution and for the resolution to be forwarded to University Council. This motion, seconded by Mr. Aughenbaugh, passed with a 13/5 vote.

Mr. Aughenbaugh made the second motion, recommending that the resolution be presented to President McComas prior to the Board of Visitors meeting since University Council does not meet until after the April 3 Board meeting. This motion, seconded by Ms. Waters, was passed with a 17/1 vote. Mr. Larkin, as chair of the Facilities subcommittee, will present the resolution to Dr. McComas.

Announcements

Handouts were provided on International Week (April 4-11), Campus Violence Teleconference (April 8, 1-3 p.m.), and the SCHEV Improving Human Relationships on College Campuses Conference - April 3-4, 1992. Participation was encouraged in all of the programs. Organizations were strongly encouraged to send representatives to the SCHEV conference.