

MINUTES  
Commission on Student Affairs  
316 Squires Student Center  
March 10, 1988  
4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. Sandra Sullivan, Mr. Alan Baird, Mr. Dave Baker, Mr. Greg Battaglia, Dr. Landrum Cross, Mr. Kevin Sutton (for Mr. Rex Donnelly), Dr. Rosemary Goss, Mr. Gerald Hampton, Mr. Ralph Kopera, General Howard Lane, Mr. Walter Lundy, Mr. Davis Lush, Dr. Mike Ogliaruso, Ms. Shair Savage (for Mr. Kimble Reynolds), Ms. Denise Shuster, Ms. Maggie Stemann, Ms. Meg Tomlinson, Mr. Andre Wormley

ABSENT: Dr. John Hillison, Dr. Robert Morrill

Dr. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was introduced and approved to adopt the agenda.

2. Approval of the Commission Minutes of February 11, 1988

A motion was introduced and passed to to approve the Commission minutes of February 11, 1988.

3. Reports of Subcommittees

A motion was introduced and passed to file the Student Budget Board minutes of January 11, 1988.

Mr. Wormley called to the attention of the Commission item #6 under Old Business which states that funding shortfalls for the Extramural Sports Federation for 1987-88 appear to have been resolved through the department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation.

In successive motions, the Commission filed the minutes of the following Student Media Board meetings:

January 22, 1988

February 3, 1988

4. CSA 1-8-87 Resolution 1: Resolution concerning the Student Constitutional Affairs Board submitted by the Student Constitutional Affairs Board

This resolution was referred by University Council to the Commission on Faculty Affairs for consideration. At its meeting of January 29, 1988, CFA voted to forward an amended version of the resolution to CSA.

Mr. Wormley introduced a motion to accept the amended resolution as forwarded by CFA. The motion was seconded.

Dr. David Ostroth was recognized by the Chair to provide informational background on the resolution. Dr. Ostroth stated the faculty concern regarding the liability involved in serving as a student organization advisor. If the university requires organizations to have faculty advisors, then the university's liability insurance will cover those faculty who serve as advisors as part of their jobs. Thus, CFA amended the resolution to include the requirement that student organizations have a faculty advisor. Although Dr. Ostroth is supportive of the faculty concern to be covered, he views the amended resolution as being contrary to the original intent of the resolution which was to simplify the student organization registration process. He expressed additional concern regarding an organization's ability to locate an advisor and the delays this might cause as well as the consequences if an advisor cannot be found.

Dr. Goss stated that several faculty have expressed to her their concern regarding coverage if advising a non-academic group. Faculty want something in writing that will assure coverage.

After several minutes of discussion, the question was called with no objections.

The motion to accept the amended resolution as forwarded by CFA was defeated by a vote of: 2 for, 12 against, and 3 abstentions.

In response to an inquiry, the Chair stated that the original resolution, CSA 1-8-87 Resolution 1, now stands.

Dr. Cross suggested that the commission retain the current policy regarding registration of student organizations and introduced a motion to rescind the original resolution (CSA 1-8-87 Resolution 1.) The motion was seconded.

Dr. Ogliaruso suggested that a compromise committee of CSA members be formed to meet with CFA to try and work out the differences between the commissions. He also stated that he believes CSA should not take any further action upon this matter until the committee can meet and report back to the commission.

After several minutes of discussion, the question was called with no objections.

The motion to rescind the original resolution, CSA 1-8-87 Resolution 1, was defeated by a vote of: 2 for, 14 against, and no abstentions.

Mr. Baker introduced a motion to establish an ad hoc committee comprised of 3 students, 1 student affairs representative, and 1 CSA faculty representative to meet with CFA and report back to CSA with a recommendation. The motion was seconded.

The motion carried by a vote of: 15 for, 1 against, and no abstentions.

Dr. Sullivan expressed her concern that simplifying the registration process and faculty liability are two separate issues and encouraged the ad hoc committee to consider multiple pieces of legislation rather than a single policy in order to resolve the issues.

The Chair asked which students would be interested in serving on the ad hoc committee. Mr. Baker, Mr. Hampton, Mr. Wormley, Mr. Lush, Mr. Kopera, Mr. Lundy, and Mr. Baird expressed interest.

The Chair stated that she will appoint the committee and charge them to meet with CFA and report back to CSA with a recommendation. CSA will then vote to adopt or reject the committee's recommendation.

5. Update Regarding CSA 1987-88D: Resolution Concerning Student Legal Services Attorney Court Representation.

Dr. Cross stated that the resolution was placed on University Council agenda by Mr. Baker and Mr. Donnelly. In Council discussion, it became apparent that some Council members were unclear as to what the term "certain cases" meant in the resolution and that this lack of clarity was not beneficial to passage of the resolution. As a result, Mr. Baker and Mr. Donnelly chose to withdraw the resolution. Since the has since been forwarded to Council by CSA as per standard procedures, the resolution will again come before Council for consideration. In preparation for the resolution's reappearance, the Student Legal Services Board will develop a policy statement regarding the types of cases the SLS attorney may represent in court. This policy statement will be presented to CSA at a future meeting for Commission approval.

6. Approval of Student Organization Recognition

The Chair asked for any objections to considering, as a whole, the three listed student organizations seeking recognition. There were no objections.

Mr. Lush introduced a motion to approve recognition of the following:

Agriculture Technology Club  
Badminton Club  
Small Business Club

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

7. Introduction of 1988-89 Student Member of the Board of Visitors Candidates

Mr. Kevin Sutton introduced Mr. Dave Baker as the Student Government Association candidate.

Ms. Jill Davison, for Mr. Greg Battaglia, announced that Mr. Pat Devlin is the Class of 1989 candidate and that Mr. Devlin was not able to attend the meeting because he is interning out of town.

Ms. Meg Tomlinson introduced Ms. Leslie Glatz as the Panhellenic Council candidate.

Ms. Denise Shuster announced that Ms. Stephanie Jones is the Corps of Cadets candidate and could not attend the meeting due to a class conflict.

Mr. Gerald Hampton introduced Mr. Eric Raciti as the Interfraternity Council candidate.

#### 8. Announcements

Mr. Kopera made several announcements regarding upcoming VTU events.

Mr. Baker announced that SGA elections will take place on April 6, 1988. Candidate petitions are now available and are due by the end of March. He also informed the Commission that he has talked with the local cable company and has been assured that camera equipment will be available to broadcast CSA meetings for the 1988-89 academic year. It also appears that students in the Communications Studies department may receive academic credit for participating in the project.

Mr. Wormley announced that Student Budget Board annual hearings will begin on Monday, March 21, 1988.

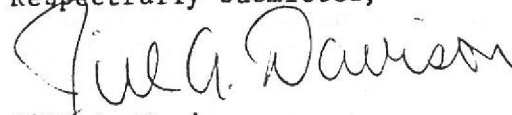
Mr. Lush announced that proposals for graduate research and travel funds are now being accepted by Graduate Student Assembly.

Ms. Meg Tomlinson introduced Ms. Maureen Hurley as the newly-elected Panhellenic president for the 1988-89 academic year.

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jill A. Davison  
Secretary

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