

## Senate Meeting 2/27-06

- I. Call to Order 5.30
- II. Attendance: Absentees: Senators: Hamm, Jeffries, Mahony, Salemme
- III. Reading and Accepting of the Minutes
  - i. Motion to accept and waive minutes
  - ii. Unanimous consent
- IV. Executive Report
  - i. President Farooq: Announcement regarding dining services, employees are state recruited, and ran, make own recipes, orders, every other school save VT go through 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractors, task to find out if we should change to that system
  - ii. What is going to happen to our staff? What ever happens, we retain same staff, but positions change, dining services staff receive benefits, state requirements.
  - iii. Why June 1<sup>st</sup>? ideal time since moving into SU, gotten to a point of growth and complexity, need to look for improvement
  - iv. School wants to improve quality of food, we are ordering best quality foods, for best deals. Companies try to cut corners, food suffers.
  - v. If we change dining services now, may receive more buying power, attracting a national reputation, UVA food is same as CNU, working culture, workers go toward company rather than CNU or other schools
  - vi. Other food doesn't feel like home, here they feel like home.
  - vii. Those employees within companies get burnt out. Difficult for managers, have to consider decision between quality versus service, quality versus pricing, Catering will be different, meal plans may increase in price, RA's compensation
  - viii. Need us to get feedback on the matter, names, times. . . .
- V. Guest Speakers
  - i. Kevin Ososkie:
    - i. Barry Whitehead: Manager of the Commons, since 1988, always trying to make it feel like home
    - ii. Anthony Augustine: Manger of Discovery, for one year, love to stay here
    - iii. Linda Carter: Front House Manager of Regatta's, here since it opened
    - iv. Manager of Einstein's Café: Been here for a year, been helpful, and open to further talking
    - v. June Miles: Catering Manager; on since 2001, provide catering services, and Ferguson Center.

- vi. Erica Nesler: Executive chef for the university, here since 2005, want to be here for new SU, on committee figuring out the contractor problem
- vii. Jen Font: Assistant Manager for student dining, since 1996, this is my family, and I want keep on being here, do our best
- viii. Misty Hast: Manage Student Center dining, hope to be here in order to have smooth transfer to new SU.
- ix. Senator Greene: Handout of transcript, facebook group discussions, Binder of eating fun.
- ii. Patrick McBride
  - i. Here to support administration to accept block meal plans, and swipe base plans, we do not have block plans.
  - ii. Block plans have certain amount of swipes per semester, do not miss a meal if you do not swipe
  - iii. Guest swipes, have a couple for guests on occasion
  - iv. Use block swipe for a guest
    - v. Not going to lose money, if you cant get to a meal on time.
  - vi. No proposal yet to pass through the senate, RHA, HC support it.
  - vii. Senator Jaeschke: will it raise price?
    - 1. Cost not radically changed
- viii. Senator Greene: if we contract out, we have no say in this
- ix. Senator Pearisich: more liberties.
- iii. Mary Sellen: New Library
  - i. Powerpoint presentation based on floor-plans for the new library
  - ii. Highlight exciting aspects of new library, virtual tour of plans
  - iii. Golden Dome tallest point on campus,
  - iv. Freeman represents the body, Ferguson, the spirit, Library, the mind
  - v. Virtual tour of the library, first floor, two exhibition areas, Einstein's (wireless) like barnes and nobel, function room at back of Einstein's 7am-11pm service hours,
  - vi. stacks and periodicals at back, 3 group study rooms, reference commons area, classroom for library instruction, 24/7 study area, library wont be 24/7. study tables and comfortable furniature,
  - vii. Second level, project room, conference room, Quiet reading areas, in north and south of building, more group study rooms, Media center in McM will move back to Library. Learning writing center, moving into library.
    - 1. Senator Greene: Concern for resources going into it, budgets will be increased towards the resources, designed for 400,000 volume library
    - 2. Senator Jaeschke: New facilities, looking toward new majors, (cant comment on that)
    - 3. Senator Stump: Alumni have access to this facility. Have special alumni subscription,
    - 4. How many books do we have in library: 150,000 volumes

5. Mr. McBride: language lab online products? Looking into it, Fear internet is main resource, Is there not going to be any hardcopies for language ? have to talk to language people
6. Senator Jaeschke: Student input on what books go into the library? What is system for purchasing new books,
7. Ms. Sellen: wants a student advisory group going on, will provide food every time we met. [Mary.Sellen@cnu.edu](mailto:Mary.Sellen@cnu.edu) (email address), have student group help relocate services during summer.

VI. Senate Business

- i. ICA Liaison Howard: Meeting low attendance, need to start showing up to these meetings
- ii. VP Grace: Learning Communities: go in and infiltrate Learning communities
- iii. Senate Lunch: Still want to do that, Mondays around lunchtime
- iv. Joint senator of the month, for January and February,

VII. Unfinished Business:

- i. GRADES: SEND YOUR GOSH DAfN GRADES TO JUSTICE BROOKS
- ii. Constitution: can only miss one meeting, Article II, section III, contradiction on senators missing meetings

VIII. New Business

- i. Senator Schue: address issues about Freeman center during Football game.

IX. Adjournment 6.37pm