Student Services Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 28, 2024

Time: 3:00 pm Place: TEAMS

I. Call to order

a. Charley Hankins called to order the regular meeting of the Student Services Committee at 3:00 pm on February 28, 2024, via TEAMS.

II. Roll Call

- a. *The following committee members were present:* Kelly Goodwin, Scott Larkin, Charley Hankins, Cassandra Tavorn, Jenny Sanders, Ashley Dougan, Chase Shelton, Sara Cook, Kimberly Moore, Dr. Carolyn Langston
- b. The following committee members were excused:
- c. The following committee members were absent: Katie Bourne, Angela Roberson
- d. The following guests attended the meeting: Adrienne Lawrence,

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- a. Ashley Dougan made a motion to approve January's minutes, Cassandra Tavorn seconded the motion. Approved.
- IV. Chair update Charley Hankins, Chair

V. Old Business

- a. Approval of Student Death Procedure: everyone had a chance to look at this new procedure. Sara Cook made motion to approve the procedure and push forward to Student Affairs, Cassandra Tavorn 2nd the motion, motion carried.
- b. Student Recognition Ceremony -
 - recap of how we will recognize the graduates
 - may need to work with Mary Kate on this for how to include it in the graduation handout
 - one from each academic program instead of all teachers nominating a student from every class
 - get one student from each program based on academics by getting the list of graduates to determine the nominee
 - will add these specific graduates to the graduation program
 - the plan is to quit nominating everyone and just recognize a few since most do not show up for the ceremony anyway
 - will need permission from the students to place them on social media (a release)
 - will discontinue Outstanding Student Worker, Outstanding Academic Student, Exemplary Student Leader

- Cassandra Tavorn Made a motion to push forward the changes to Student Affairs Council, Sara Cook 2nd the motion, motion carried
 - Discontinue the Student Recognition Ceremony by replacing it with an Outstand Academic Graduate during Commencement
 - No longer take nominations for college wide Outstanding Academic Student, Outstanding Student Worker, and Exemplary Student Leadership
 - Recognize a single Outstanding Academic Student from each department/program

VI. New Business

- a. Action
- b. Discussion
 - Academic All-Star Adrienne Lawrence

SouthArk Academic All-Star 2024 Timeline

Now – March 4 th	VPSA Admin (Adrienne) - Prep Application and Website Information
March 5 th	Adrienne will work with Charley (webmaster) to have the application portal open on the SouthArk website. Once the portal is open, Adrienne will send a mass email to students with eligibility criteria and the application deadline (link).
April 5 th	Application portal closes and Adrienne will send candidate information to SS committee chair person by April 12 th .
April (14-19)	The ad hoc committee will meet and recommend two candidates (recipient and runner-up). The committee chair will notify me by email immediately on the two recommendations by Friday, April $19^{\rm th}$.
(Adrienne will notify VPSA, so they can add the All-Star information to the next cabinet meeting's agenda.)	
April 23 rd	Executive Cabinet will review and approve the final selection (This meeting date depends on the re-scheduling of cabinet due to the HLC conf. This date may change).
April 24 th	Adrienne will notify the SS committee chair (email) and the awardee by (email/letter/phone).
April 24 th – May 3 rd will collect the candidates ACC Submittal packet of information.	
By June 1st	Send All-Star packet to Academic Affair's office (Mary Kate and Gabe).
	(I will co-ordinate with the All-Star and (MK and Gabe) on additional needs for the candidate (etc. Campus Events (if any) and the travel information for Awards Brunch in October)

• Trying to get the whole process digital but not sure that will happen this time.

VII. Announcements

VIII. Adjournment

a. A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Goodwin and seconded by Sara Cook. The meeting was adjourned at 3:36*pm*.

Minutes submitted by: Kelly Goodwin