Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee Minutes

Monday, March 2nd, 2009 at 6:00 pm, Student Senate Office

I. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

II. Tyler Halverson was absent, since he was still assigned to the committee; he gave no excuse for his absence. Jordan Harshman was present via telephone. All other members were ~~absent~~ *present*. Brenda Rudberg was present to discuss changes proposed to Tuition Payments

III. Tuition Payment Plan was discussed by Brenda Rudberg. Part of the proposed revision involved eliminating the need for a student to "roll" the $100 registration deposit. It was originally intended to determine which students were intending to register for classes. The most important part of the proposed revision involved making tuition payments (either the full payment or first payment in the payment plan) due 3-5 days before the start of the term, instead of 9-10 days into the term. If students don't make the payment, their classes will be dropped. Brenda stated that this change makes students plan their finances in advance; the committee was concerned that students would not be aware of the changes being made.

The proposed changes are being taken back to cabinet, where they will either be approved or denied. If approved, the changes will take effect in the Fall 2009 term. An open forum for students to ask questions and discuss issues is possible before Fall 2009.

IV. The minutes from the February 23rd meeting were approved.

V. Chair explained the removal of Tyler Halverson from the Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee upon approval of senate.

VI. Jordan Harshman will be making a sign and/or pamphlets to display on the Senate table regarding the on-campus pub. The purpose of tabling, either with senate or as a stand-alone table was to determine what issues are important to students. It was also stressed that the committee wants to advertise the UWRF Whine Line (which can be contacted for any complaints at uwrfwhineline@gmail.com). Possible candies or other snacks to be given out at the table were also discussed.

VII. The committee unanimously approved moving the committee meeting to the Mississippi River Room, though the chair still needed to discuss the room changes with reservations and/or Deb Martin.

VIII. The committee unanimously approved rescheduling the regularly-scheduled meeting of Student Affairs and Academic Services the week of Monday April 13th 2009. At least

one meeting must be held each week, so the committee moved the meeting from April 13th to Tuesday April 14th at 6:00pm.

President Bendix mentioned that an e-mail is currently available for students to contact when they complain. She was unsure on the actual e-mail address, but the committee agreed that they wanted to continue with the Whine Line so that complaints are directed towards the committee for discussion.

Motion to adjourn, approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm

The next meeting of the Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee will take place on March 9th 2009, with the meeting location to be announced.